

# CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

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## ADDENDUM #1

### INVITATION FOR BID #12-47

### **54 SITE GRASS CUTTING & TRIMMING, LEAF REMOVAL, MULCHING & PRUNING OF SCHRUBS**

THIS ADDENDUM IS TO: **Answer the following Questions from the Pre-Bid Meeting:**

Q1. Who had the bid previously?

**A1. It was done in-house by DPW.**

Q2. What do you mean by berms?

**A2. Gutterline of street**

Q3. What about the grass and the Vietnam Memorial?

**A3. The Vietnam Memorial is on a separate grass contract.**

Q4. What's the scope of work when there is no grass?

**A4. Minimal – trimming, weeds, etc.**

Q5. Do we need a detail all the time on state roads?

**A5. The Parks and Recreation Department is not requiring the contractor to use a police detail.**

Q6. How high should pruning be done?

**A6. 8 feet clear through fences**

Q7. How far back for leaf removal?

**A7. 15 feet from gutterline. Must be removed, not blown in.**

Q8. Whose responsibility is the dumping?

**A8. Dumping is the responsibility of the Contractor(s). If the contractor is a Newton resident or business, a permit can be obtained.**

Q9. What kind of mulch?

**A9. No specification to determine what kind of tree – just color – black mulch, see Page 49.**

Q10. Who dictates when mowing will be done?

**A10. Derek Mannion from Park & Recreation will determine when to start. Usually around Memorial Day.**

Q11. What was the cost to the government last year for these services? How can I obtain that information?

**A11. This work was previously done by DPW by four men.**

Q12. I believe email Bids are not acceptable. I am assuming envelope should be sent to City Hall Commonwealth Ave. Room 204? Can you confirm?

**A12. Email bids are not acceptable. The bid must be received prior to Bid Opening Date and time at the address shown on the Invitation For Bid page.**

All other terms and conditions of this bid remain unchanged.

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THIS ADDENDUM ON YOUR BID FORM.**

Thank you.

*Purchasing Department*